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	TIONAL APPLICATION NO. 2004/001067	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20 July 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 22 July 2003					
	TITLE OF INVENTION A PROCESS FOR RECOVERING PLATINUM GROUP METALS FROM ORES AND CONCENTRATES							
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Mario BERGERON and Marc RICHER-LAFLECHE								
			/US) the following items and other information:					
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	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).							
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8.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).							
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